

YESTERDAY IN CONGRESS

NO BUSINESS OF IMPORTANCE DONE IN EITHER HOUSE

Senator Wolcott Promises a Speech on the Work of the Bimetallism Commission. Provision for Relief of American Miners in the Klondike Made. Senator Pritchard Speaks on Civil Service—Secretary Gage's Currency Bill Introduced in the House

SENATE.

Washington, December 16.—Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, chairman of the commission appointed by President McKinley to secure, if possible, the cooperation of foreign countries in an international conference upon the silver question, said in the senate today that the commission had not yet made a report to the president and it was uncertain when a report would be made. Negotiations for a bimetallic conference, he said, are still pending, but he assured the senate that the commission had no intention of prolonging its effort beyond the point where reasonable hope of success should exist. Senator Wolcott promised to explain fully the work of the commission in a speech to be delivered after the holiday recess.

Senator Hanna, of Ohio, after an illness of a week, appeared in the senate today and was cordially greeted by his colleagues.

Senator Allison, of the appropriation committee, reported favorably the house joint resolution providing for a recess of congress from December 18, 1897, to January 5, 1898. The resolution was adopted.

Senator Hawley, of the military affairs committee, reported the resolution of senator McBride for the relief of American miners and other sufferers in the Yukon valley. Alaska. The committee struck out all but the enacting clause and amended the resolution by appropriating \$250,000, which is to be used by the secretary of war for the purchase of subsistence and supplies and for their transportation and distribution, the consent of the Canadian government to be obtained to pass over the Canadian territory. The resolution further provides that the supplies are to be distributed among the needy miners as the secretary of war may determine and that the supplies are to be transported by means of reindeer, the reindeer to be sold after they have performed their service.

Senator Hawley asked for immediate consideration of the resolution and it was then adopted.

Senator Gallinger called up the census bill, for the purpose of replying briefly to a statement by Hon. Carroll D. Wright, incorporated in Senator Lodge's speech of yesterday, in which Mr. Wright was reported to have said that \$2,000,000 would have been saved if the last census had been taken by a force under the classified service. He expressed surprise that so reckless a statement should have been made by a man usually so careful as Mr. Wright.

Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, chairman of the committee on civil service, which is engaged in a general investigation of the civil service system, followed in a speech dealing with the general features of the civil service law, contending that under the democratic administration there had not been an honest enforcement of the law.

At 2 o'clock the bill went over to a future day and on motion of Senator Quay the senate went into executive session.

At 3 o'clock the executive session was concluded and the senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The house today passed a bill appropriating \$175,000 for the relief of the people who are in the Yukon river country and also the bill passed by the senate yesterday to prohibit pelagic sealing by American citizens. The former bill encountered practically no opposition. As passed the sum carried by it is to be expended under the direction of the secretary of war for the purchase, transportation and distribution of subsistence stores. It provides that these stores may be sold at prices fixed by the secretary of war, and that where the people are unable to pay for them, it empowers him to purchase reindeer and employ drivers, not citizens of the United States, and afterward dispose of the reindeer. Secretary Alger was on the floor during the debate.

The bill to prohibit pelagic sealing was warmly antagonized by Mr. Johnson, of North Dakota; Mr. Lind, of Colorado; Mr. Hepburn and others, and in the course of the debate there was some exceedingly caustic criticisms on the course of our Behring sea negotiations, past and present.

The currency bill framed by Secretary of the Treasury Gage, was introduced by Chairman Walker, of the banking and currency committee, immediately after the hearing. The bill, as presented to the house, is identical with the bill as submitted to the committee, save for a few changes of no especial significance, which were suggested by Mr. Walker.

An hour was spent on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill without accomplishing anything. The bankruptcy bill was reported by the judicial committee and an extension of time granted, in which the minority may file its report.

At 6 o'clock the house adjourned. "In a minute" one dose of Hart's Essence of Ginger will relieve any ordinary case of Colic, Cramps or Nausea, an unexcelled remedy for Diarrhoea, Cholera Morbus, Summer Complaints and all internal pains. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fentress.

Three Men Killed in a Railway Collision. Clinton, Ind., December 16.—Train No. 3, on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois railroad, which left Chicago at 11:34 o'clock last night ran into an extra train near here at 5 o'clock this morning. Three employees were killed and half a dozen others injured. But one passenger was hurt. The dead are: Engineer J. D. Rausch, Fireman C. L. Brewer and Fireman C. F. Wheeler. Engineer G. Foster is badly injured. Both engines were badly wrecked, the baggage car was thrown down an embankment and the mail car smashed. The cause of the accident is supposed to have been due to the crew of the extra train overlooking the passenger.

NEW NATIONAL BANK

Mr. J. W. Norwood at Asheville Organizing a Bank With a Capital Stock of \$100,000—He is to be President

The Asheville Citizen of December 15th says there is a most encouraging prospect for the early organization of a new National bank for Asheville, and that a meeting of those interested, growing out of the visit of Mr. J. W. Norwood, of Wilmington, was held at the Hotel Berkeley Wednesday morning. Mr. Norwood was present, and of the meeting The Citizen says:

"The situation was fully discussed in the meeting, and it was decided that the best interest of the city required the establishment of a national bank, and that there was a fine opening here for the conduct of two banks. It was then decided to start a subscription list, giving the people opportunity to subscribe to the stock of the new institution."

"It is understood that in the management of the bank Mr. Norwood is to be president. The capital stock is to be \$100,000, and about one-half of this amount was subscribed at this meeting, although no one was asked to make formal subscription, as it was understood that the meeting was held simply to discuss the situation. The subscription list will be opened at once."

"Mr. Norwood went east this afternoon, but will return tomorrow. J. W. Norwood, who is at the head of the movement for a new national bank, is one of the most successful bankers in the south. He is president of the Atlantic National bank, of Wilmington. The success of that institution is largely due to his energy and good management. He is active, energetic and at the same time conservative, a quality essential to a successful banker. He is also president of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company, a successful institution. Asheville is to be congratulated on the fact that Mr. Norwood is to be identified with the new bank."

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says: "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for croup, colds, all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

William Terriss, the Actor Assassinated. London, December 16.—William Terriss, the well known actor, was assassinated, being stabbed with a knife, as he was entering the stage door of Adelphi theatre tonight. He had been playing in London in the English version of William Gillette's American drama "Secret Service." As the actor fell his murderer was seized by people who were outside the theatre. The wounded man was carried into the theatre and doctors were called from the Charing Cross hospital, but Terriss expired in fifteen minutes.

The murderer was taken to Bowes police station, followed by an angry crowd. His name was given as Archer. It is said that he had been a "super" at the Adelphi theatre several years ago and for some days past he has haunted the theatre. The motive of the crime is not yet known. He being charged with murder he said: "He's done me out of the most plentiful fund this morning and I am out of it for life."

A member of the Adelphi company says the assassin was known at the theatre as "Mad Archer," and that when ordered off the premises last night he made no attempt to escape. When seized he attempted to go quietly to the police station.

According to later accounts, Mr. Terriss had alighted from a cab at the door in Maiden Lane, used only by himself and the principal members of the company. Mr. Gilbert Tate, the theatrical agent, at the door, saw the assassin, who was standing and in conversation, and Mr. Terriss was just taking the door key from his pocket when his assailant darted from the shade of a neighboring shop and plunged the knife into his breast, almost bearing him to the ground with the savage force of the blow. Mr. Terriss dropped his glove and seized his assailant, who then dealt two more stabs before the bystanders had time to interfere. The murderer gives the name of Richard Arthur Prince, who is known at the theatre as Archer. His wife has been employed there as a dressmaker. Since he left the Adelphi, Archer has several times begged aid from the different theatrical funds of whose committee Mr. Terriss was a member.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

Killed While Invading a Man's Premises at Night.

Richmond, Va., December 16.—A special to The Despatch from Lexington says: Edwin A. Merritt, of near Greenville, Augusta county, aged 27 years, son of Captain C. G. Merritt, an old Mexican veteran, was shot and almost instantly killed at 1 o'clock this morning, by Robert N. Frenger, who resides about two and one-half miles north of Greenville. The shooting occurred on the farm of Mr. Frenger's father, Mr. J. A. Frenger. Shortly after midnight, Harriet Smith, a colored woman living in an out-house adjacent to the Frenger mansion, aroused Frenger with the report that some one was entering, or had entered, her house. Frenger got his breech-loader, and, followed by his mother with a lantern, went to investigate. Seeing a figure about the woman's house, Frenger opened fire, and it is said shot six times. Later, Merritt was found dead near by. It is not yet explained why Merritt was about the premises at the time.

This afternoon at the coronor's inquest, the verdict was unlawful but not felonious killing. Frenger is under arrest, and will give bail for his appearance.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure. R. R. Bellamy.

A Jailer in the Luetgert Case Discharged. Chicago, December 16.—There was a peculiar turn in the Luetgert trial today. Juror Boasberg was accused of having expressed himself, prior to being placed on the jury, as in favor of a rope for Luetgert. The testimony of a number of people who had heard him make this remark was taken.

Judge Gary gave Boasberg the alternative of resigning from the jury or of being discharged. The defense waived their claim to the right to discharge the other members of the jury, thus removing the danger of another long tie up. A panel of 100 veniremen was ordered by the court and the attorneys for the state and the defense will tomorrow attempt to secure another juror.

THE JOHN ANDERSEN TRIAL

The Motion to Quash the Bill of Indictment Argued and Allowed by the Court. A New Grand Jury Ordered for Today

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District Attorney White opened the argument on the motion to quash, the only point of discussion, by ruling of the court, being as to whether the court could today issue an order to show what actually happened on the day the prisoners were taken to the court to stand trial. There were twenty-one grand jurors present that day instead of thirteen. Mr. White insisted that the law is very plain in this regard. He said that during a term of the court any record of the court made in that term—that during the term the court itself is a "living record" and that the jury must be sworn from what lies in its breast and memory. Mr. White moved the entrance of an order showing that twenty-one grand jurors, as remembered by Judge Hughes, were sworn in this case on the day in question.

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"I don't know, there may be others," he said, but I have used "Parker's Tolu Cough Syrup" in my family and would not be without it." He knew better than to buy the inferior preparation that was being urged upon him. Parker's Tolu Cough Syrup has no equal. It will immediately relieve any cough or cold, Whooping Cough, Sore throat, Hoarseness, Croup, Bronchitis and kindred ailments. Contains no injurious ingredients. Pleasant to take and safe remedy for children. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fentress.

Caucus of the Populists of the House.

Washington, December 16.—A caucus of the populist members of the house of representatives was held at the national hotel tonight. The following resolutions were adopted—unanimously, except that referring to civil service:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this caucus that we will resist all efforts to go modify the existing civil service law as to enable any party that may be in power to fill the different positions in civil service with partisans.

Resolved, That we are opposed to and will resist all efforts to destroy our greenbacks and treasury notes, whether it be by direct legislation or by the subterfuge of refusing to re-issue the same except in exchange for gold.

Resolved, That we are opposed to any scheme of enlarging the powers of national banks. That we oppose the conferring of the power to issue notes designed to have the same functions as money to any bank, corporation or individual.

Resolved, That we favor the early consideration of the passage of the joint resolution recognizing the independence of the Cuban republic.

Resolved, That we are in favor of the early passage of an equitable voluntary bankruptcy bill.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says: "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds, and all throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

Meeting of Civil Service League.

Cincinnati, December 16.—The sixteenth annual meeting of the national civil service reform league began a session of two days here today, with Hon. Carl Schurz presiding. The forenoon session was devoted to a joint meeting of the general and of the executive committee with closed doors. At the afternoon session Secretary McAneny verbally submitted his report, and the secretary recommended the extension of the civil service rules to the congressional library and the census bureau. The fourth-class postmasters will probably be reached by consolidation with other postal affairs. Reports were received from a number of states after which the meeting adjourned.

Tonight Odeon hall was filled to hear the annual address by Hon. Carl Schurz, president of the national league. Judge William H. Taft, of the United States court of appeals, presiding. President Schurz was frequently interrupted by applause, especially in the closing part of his address in which he became most vigorous in his reply to the recent charges of Congressman Grosvenor. At the conclusion of the address there was a rising vote of thanks to Mr. Schurz.

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DR. BROUGHTON CALLED

The Congregation of the First Baptist Church Selects the Rev. W. B. Oliver's Successor—Who Dr. Broughton Is

A meeting of the congregation of the First Baptist church was called last night to receive the report of the committee appointed to call a pastor to succeed the Rev. Will B. Oliver, whose pastorate expires in May. The committee reported that they had extended a call to the Rev. Dr. Broughton, of Roanoke, Va., and the report was adopted. We understand that it is quite probable that Dr. Broughton will accept.

The present pastor tendered his resignation some time ago, but withdrew it after the church refused by a large majority to accept it. In withdrawing it, however, he stated that his relation as pastor would cease at the end of the pastoral year, believing that he could accomplish a greater work elsewhere. It was in view of this statement that another pastor was called.

The Norfolk Pilot, of yesterday, under the headline of "Roanoke's Great Preacher," says:

Rev. Len G. Broughton, of Calvary Baptist church, Roanoke, whose sermon in the Academy of Music in our sister city last Sunday on "If Christ Came to Norfolk," is the topic of discussion in church circles on both sides of the Elizabeth, spent several hours with friends in Portsmouth yesterday. He conducted a successful revival meeting at South Street Baptist church two years ago, and is well and favorably known to hundreds of our church-going people.

It will doubtless surprise many of the people of Portsmouth and Norfolk to learn that Dr. Broughton has under serious consideration a call from the First Baptist church of Wilmington, N. C., and another from the Third Baptist church, of Atlanta, Ga., and will probably accept one of these. The severance of his pastoral relations with the Roanoke church will cause him genuine sorrow and be a serious loss, not only to the congregation of Calvary, but to the cause of temperance, morality, religion and good government in the Magic City. His work there will never be accurately estimated this side of eternity and is a source of regret to many of his friends. He will serve as a guide to his successor. When he took charge of Calvary, the congregation was small, its membership weak, numerically and financially, and the preaching place a mere shed. The new and beautiful brick church erected and paid for, is inadequate to the demands upon its seating capacity, the membership has been trebled, foreign missionaries supported, the poor succored and cared for, all assessments paid, the pastor's salary increased and the people made better under his preaching.

Dr. Broughton is yet quite a young man—about 22 years of age—and it is not strange that other churches are anxious to procure him as pastor. Since he first went to Norfolk he has declined calls to Pittsburg, Baltimore and other points. He undertook to do a certain work there, and he did it. He declared that God would that he should stay there until Calvary church was firmly established, and he remained. If he goes elsewhere he will leave behind him the call of the will of the Master. The church that he left this will be fortunate. If there are any dry bones in its membership they will be quickened, and the church will be a good purpose. His preaching converts church drones into active workers. He has preached in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Richmond, Atlanta, New York and elsewhere, with great power and great results.

Before entering the ministry, Dr. Broughton practiced medicine in North Carolina and was regarded as a shining light in the profession. He was converted at Raleigh, N. C., under the preaching of Dr. A. E. Owen, of Court street Baptist church, this city, and at once began to prepare himself for preaching the Gospel, having promised God, in a serious attack of fever, we are informed, that if restored to health he would devote his whole future life to leading people to Christ and salvation.

Dr. Broughton is now preaching at Park Avenue Baptist church, Norfolk, for Dr. J. J. Hall, and will return to Roanoke this week. He will probably preach his last sermon at Calvary church next Sunday. His departure from Roanoke would be deplored by all good people there, regardless of denominational lines.

French mixed Candy, 8c per pound; Chocolate Cream Drops, 14c per pound; Caramels, 20c per pound; Candy Toys, 15c per pound. At Warren & Son.

Appointments by the President

Washington, December 16.—The president today sent the following nominations to the senate:

Justice—Joseph McKenna, of California, to be associate justice of the supreme court of the United States.

Treasurer—Charles G. Dawes, of Illinois, to be comptroller of the currency.

Court of Private Land Claims—Jos. R. Reed, of Iowa, to be chief justice; William M. Murray, of Tennessee; Thomas C. Fuller, of North Carolina; Henry C. Stius, of Kansas, and Wilbur F. Stone, of Colorado, to be associate justices. These are reappointments, their terms expiring December 31, 1897.

Henry C. Dockery, of North Carolina, to be marshal of the United States for the Eastern district of North Carolina.

The senate immediately confirmed the nomination of Mr. Dawes, but that of Mr. McKenna was sent to the committee on judiciary. It will be considered after the holidays.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. R. R. Bellamy.

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THAT ROCKY MOUNT SPEECH

BLADEN COUNTY PEOPLE DISCUSSING BUTLER'S SLANDER

Negroes at Meeting of National Protection Association—Liberal Subscription to Coleman Cotton Factory—Sanctificationists at Work—Judgment Against Register of Deeds for Penally for Illegally Issuing a Marriage License

(Special to The Messenger.)

Elizabethtown, N. C., December 16.—The National Protective Association was in session here yesterday. A large crowd of colored people were in attendance. The interest manifested by officers and delegates was unusual. The colored people freely subscribed to the Coleman Manufacturing Company, which was represented by W. C. Coleman, the secretary and treasurer. This man Coleman is one of the most intelligent and industrious negroes in North Carolina.

The sanctificationists, Page and Avant, have pitched their tent here and are preaching "Sinless Perfection and Salvation by Fire." The attendance is unusually large at night, though small at day services.

The populist register of deeds, J. R. Durham, was beaten in the magistrate's court by the populist commissioner, Z. G. Thompson, at Abbeysburg Wednesday. Judgment was for \$300 and costs. An appeal was taken to the superior court.

Seemingly, there has been much discussion in this county during the last week in regard to an article written by R. E. Lee and published in last week's issue of The Eastern Reformer. This article was a condemnation of Butler's speech at Rocky Mount and was plain and democratic to the core. Every true democrat in Bladen county who has read the speech Butler made at Rocky Mount and the affidavits by six of the best men at that place endorses this article.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy.—R. R. Bellamy.

Hanged for a Triple Murder

Ripley, W. Va., December 16.—John Morgan paid the penalty this afternoon for murdering three members of the Green family on November 5th last. The procession to the gallows, which was about half a mile from the town, left the jail shortly after 11 o'clock. Surrounding the scaffold in the vast field were about 10,000 men, women and children. Morgan was very cool. He occurred in a composed manner on the scaffold. During the last solemn services Morgan stood very unconcernedly viewing the vast crowd of spectators. During the long prayer Morgan stood with head bowed down and eyes closed. Just before the black cap was pulled over his face Morgan said: "I bid you farewell. This is a warning to all young men not to go astray as I have. My God, I am sorry."

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The Secretary to Issue Bonds at Discretion.

Washington, December 16.—In the course of his statement before the house committee today Secretary Gage said that his bill would be supplemented at a later day by another measure, carrying out the recommendation of the president that the secretary of the treasury be empowered to borrow when circumstances demanded, \$100,000,000 for a term not exceeding one year. This power would not be exercised except at rare intervals, but it would have a steady effect from the knowledge it gave the market that the power existed. With this power to borrow in case of need, and the measures provided by his bill, Mr. Gage said he would just as leave run the government finances as to run any bank, as there would be no more responsibility or hazard.

Another Stir Over Federal Pensions

Boston, December 16.—The annual reunion of the Twenty-second Massachusetts infantry, Second company of sharpshooters and the Third battery here today was made noteworthy by the adoption of a lengthy preamble, condemning the utterances of President Andrews, of Brown university, laudatory of the military genius of certain men in the seal of the Union, and of President Elliott, of Harvard, to the effect that "it would be better to pitch \$50,000,000 into the sea than pay it to union veterans."

The resolutions adopted set forth the transcendent ability of the union leaders and "that it is the duty of all friends of the union soldiers to resist such utterances as those emanating from alleged public teachers; and we, as soldiers of the union army, ask the public of the country to frown upon all such disloyal bombast and repudiate both the speeches and the speakers."

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The Spanish Royal Family Prepared for Fight

London, December 16.—According to The St. James Gazette, private letters received here from Madrid says that General Weyler's reception there was most significant and that the government is so alarmed by the menacing attitude of the populace that artillery has been stationed at concealed points commanding the main thoroughfares, the gunners, however, cannot be relied upon. The wildest rumors are current, say the letters in question, with reports that preparations are making for the flight of the members of the royal family to France at the first sign of revolution.

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